Creation of India Reserve Battallions

2844. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have cleared the creation of India Reserve Battallions;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) what is the constitution and functional responsibility of this para-military force; and

(d) whether this force will be permanently stationed in one State or will keep shifting on necessity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) India Reserve Battalions have been approved as given below:—

Name of State	Phase I	Phase II
Andhra Pradesh	2	2
Assam	2	—
Himachal Pradesh	1	—
Mizoram	1	—
Manipur	1	—
Punjab	5	5
Rajasthan	2	—
Sikkim	1	—
Total:	15	7

(c) An IR Battalion is an armed police force of the State, where it is raised. The I.R. battalion is more or less based on the pattern of a State Armed Police Battalion. I.R. Battalions are primarily to argument the armed police forces of the States to maintain 'Public Order' more effectively to minimise dependence on the Armed Forces of the Union.

(d) IR Battalions will be stationed in the State of their origin, but will be available to other States, to help them, when required.

ULFA Secessionist Activities

2845. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the secessionist activities of ULFA are picking up momentum;

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereon; and

(c) what steps are proposed to be taken to tackle the problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) There have been some reports that ULFA cadres are trying to regroup in rural areas.

(b) and (c) Constant vigil is being maintained by Army, para military forces and the State Police Force. An Army operation under the name 'Operation Rhino' which was launched from 15 Sept., 91 is still continuing. Several ULFA leaders have been arrested. Steps have also been taken for effective co-ordination among the Police organisations of the NE States and the Central Intelligence Agencies to effectively monitor the activities of extremist elements. Efforts are also continuing to keep the doors open for negotiation and for rehabilitation of the ULFA cadres who have surrendered.

Grant of Dual Citizenship to NRIs

2846. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any fresh representations from the NRIs requesting for dual citizenship;

(b) if so, the details of the representations;

(c) whether Government propose to reconsider the proposal of dual citizenship; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE

MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (d) NRIs have been representing for grant of dual Citizenship/Nationality. However, the concept of dual citizenship is not consistent with the Constitution of India and the Citizenship Act, 1955.

Compensation to the Harijans of Khumer

2847. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the statement made by him on July 20, 1992 regarding atrocities on Harijans of Khumer in Bharatpur (Rajasthan) and state:

(a) the details of the persons prosecuted for the killings and atrocities committed on Harijans of Khumer indicating the state at which the prosecutions stand; and

(b) the compensation, ex-gratia payments and other Government and other aid given to the victims and for their resettlement?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) The Central Bureau of Investigation has reported that charge sheets were filled in two cases in the Court of ACJM, Jaipur, on 22.5.93 and 31.5.93 against Mohan Singh Jat and Prem Singh Jat respectively.

Investigations in three other cases have also been finalise and the CBI are proposing to file charge sheets against 155 persons shortly.

(b) The following assistance has been paid by the State Government to the victims and dependents of the deceased persons:—

(i) Rs. 51, 975/- as food assistance
(ii) Rs. 26,010/- for purchase of utensils
(iii) Rs. 13 lacs for rehabilitation of dependents of the desease
(iv) Rs. 28,000/- assistance to shop-owners.
(v) Rs. 78,000/- to the injured
(vi) 26,46 lacs financial assistance to those whose houses were burnt and whose cattle were killed.

Taking up political asylum by Punjab militant

2848. DR. SANJAYA SINH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a large number of Punjab militants have taken political asylum in other countries;

(b) if so, what is the number of such terrorists and the names of the countries where asylum has been granted to them; and

(c) whether Government have taken up the matter with those countries to cancel the asylum and deport the militants, and if so, with what results?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) The instances of Punjab militants seeking political asylum in other countries have come to notice. In view of the sensitivity of the matter, it would not be in Public Interest to disclose further information.

(c) Efforts are being made, as per process of law, to deport back Punjab militants who are involved in terrorist crimes.

असम में मतदाता सूची से विदेशियों के नाम हटाना

2849. श्री गया सिंह: क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि असम में मतदाता सूची में से विदेशियों के नाम हटाने का कार्य प्रगति पर है और यदि हां, तो यह कार्य किस हद तक पूरा कर लिया गया है; और

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि पन्द्रह लाख व्यक्तियों के नाम मतदाता सूची से हटाये जा चुके हैं?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी॰ एम॰ सईद): (क) असम में मतदाता सूचियों का नये सिरे से